

Oaks Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Oaks Notes



Acorns on the Ground

The Season of Lent



Oaks Christian Church is a family church that loves to share God's word, God's Love, and God's fellowship with the world. We are a church in the near inner loop that strives to be a helpful part of the community. We are about Deep Christian spirituality, a true community and a passion for Justice. We celebrate communion every Sunday service and all who believe are welcome to receive.

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We are now in the season of Lent and we are approaching the second Sunday of the season.

Are you giving up something this year of Lent? Maybe it is a favorite food or a television show you enjoy watching or some other activity. We give up certain things so we can use that time drawing nearer to God and our Lord Jesus Christ. We give up buying certain items so that money can be used to help the poor. Both of these activities are good and wonderful actions. But think about this for a moment.



What if instead of giving something up we added an activity to our life? Perhaps we will decide to read the Bible more or we will give of our time in helping in a homeless shelter serving meals. Or we will visit those who are sick or those who are shut-ins.

Whatever we decide to do let us do it to the glory of God.



Let us repent of our sins and let us draw closer to God. We truly seek the forgiveness God offers unto everyone. Let us continue to seek God and Jesus Christ with all our hearts. Have a blessed Lent.

Randy Burke





OAKS CHRISTIAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>Smile Jesus Loves You!</div> <div></div> <div>7</div> <div>Bread Sunday Executive Board Mtg.</div> <div><div>Terry's Crafters</div><div>Al Dean</div></div>	<div>1</div> <div>Emily Whitley</div>	<div>2</div> <div>CWF Service - 10:00 a.m. Spring Cleaning CWF Closet and Kitchen</div>	<div></div> <div>3</div> <div>Choir Rehearsal Hand Bells</div> <div>Ben Whisman</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Pastor's Bible Study</div> <div></div> <div>Maxine Dorsey, Jon Mizula, Eva Pena</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Church Office Closed World Day of Prayer</div> <div>Art Pintsch, Joan Roberts</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Linda Dalmasso</div>
<div>8</div> <div>Terry's Crafters</div> <div>Al Dean</div>	<div>8</div>	<div>9</div> <div>PRAYER CIRCLE 9:30 a.m. CWF - Love Meals 10:00 a.m.</div>	<div></div> <div>10</div> <div>Choir Rehearsal Hand Bells</div>	<div>11</div> <div>Pastor's Bible Study</div> <div></div> <div>Carole Green, Joann Winner</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Church Office Closed</div> <div>Richard and Crystal Smith</div> <div>Ernest Sulak</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Catherine Jones</div>
<div>14</div> <div>Board Mtg.</div> <div>Louis E. and- Denise Luna</div>	<div>15</div>	<div>16</div> <div>CWF - Visita- tion-Meet at church 11:00 a.m. for lunch. Visits at 1:00 p.m.</div>	<div></div> <div>17</div> <div>Choir Rehearsal Hand Bells</div> <div>St. Patrick's Day</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Pastor's Bible Study</div> <div></div>	<div>19</div> <div>Church Office Closed</div> <div>Gale and Julie Clawson</div> <div>Ketih Murray, Bailey Scantlin</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Spring Begins</div>
<div>21</div> <div>Birthday Sunday</div> <div></div> <div>Terry's Crafters</div> <div>Sara Luna</div>	<div>22</div>	<div>23</div> <div>CWF - Gen. Meeting - 6:00 p.m. Covered Dish Jessie Heath, Hostess</div>	<div></div> <div>24</div> <div>Choir Rehearsal Hand Bells</div> <div>Leroy Rogers</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Pastor's Bible Study</div> <div></div>	<div>26</div> <div>Church Office Closed</div>	<div>27</div>
<div>28</div> <div>Palm Sunday Easter Week of Prayer Begins Easter Offering</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div> <div>CWF - Service 10:00 a.m.</div> <div>Passover</div>	<div></div> <div>31</div> <div>Choir Rehearsal Hand Bells</div> <div>Holly Hall Book Review 9:30 a.m.</div>	<div>Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.</div>		
<div></div> <div>Pastor Randy Burke's Phone #'s 832.729.1598 - Cell 713.983.0717 - Home</div>						

If you have something for the calendar, please let the Church Office know.

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let the Church Office know.

Announcements, Thank You Notes, Church Attendance and Treasurer's Report

FOR SALE

Oaks Church has two burial spaces for sale. They are located at Brookside Cemetery, Houston. These are side by side space 3 and 4 in "Masters Lawn". Price is \$2,000 each. Negotiable. Contact Homer Greene for more information at 832.237.3171.

To Our Oaks Friends

Kayleigh Pitts is at it again. Last Saturday, February 13, 2008, she attended the HISD UIL School Academic Tournament at Hogg Middle School and won third place in "Dictionary Skills" 7/8. She was awarded a beautiful trophy to grace our home on Leafy Hollow. She is an 8th grade student at Clifton Middle School this year. All smiles are her cheerleaders, Louise, Kelli, and Cody.

Thank You

I would like to thank our church family at Oaks for the abundance of love and prayers that were offered in sympathy at the time of my mother's death. Amy, Robert, and I are blessed to have your support both then, and now. Susan Hirt Dyes

Thank You

Words don't seem to be enough to express my heartfelt thanks for the cards, calls, and the assuming of my responsibilities while I was gone during the time of my mother's death. I do not understand how people without a faith or church family can even get through the loss of a loved one or any deep valley in their lives. Bill and I are so blessed that over 20 years ago we were drawn to Oaks and touched in so many ways by so many wonderful friends who became family through their love for us. Thank you for being there for us in our time of need. It truly makes a difference!!

Love, Barb and Bill



Worship and Education Teams are pleased to announce a Children's program started and it is held during the Worship Hour each Sunday. The Children are being asked to select a name for this program. Please support this program in any way you can, and please pray for the children and adults who will be involved. — **Sally Johnson**

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE:

For those wishing to send France Love a card, his correct address is as follows:
5123 Spring Forest, Houston, Texas 77091



Coming Soon... The Nurturing Circle Updates

GREAT NEWS! Oaks folks contributed \$306.00 for Souper Bowl Sunday. This will go to MANNA'S Food Pantry. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

December Church Attendance

Attendance for the Month of November	Sunday School	Church Attendance
January 03, 2010	16	48
January 10, 2010	18	51
January 17, 2010	23	67
January 24, 2010	24	61
January 31, 2010	20	54
TOTALS	101	281

From the Treasurer - Bill Scantlin

Operating Account	November	December	January
Deposits	8,801.22	10,033.96	7,082.00
Disbursements	(11,621.27)	(14,768.87)	(10,266.99)
Difference	(2,820.05)	(4,734.91)	(3,184.99)

In November there was a transfer of \$8,967.37 from the Designated Account which meant we did not have to use any funds from the Capital Improvement Fund to cover expenses.

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Bound Together in Love



FOOD NEEDED FOR MANNA'S PANTRY

**For more information
Contact**

**Billie Murray
(281) 448-1667**

Items Needed:

Toothpaste, washing powder, shampoo, deodorant, baby diapers, sugar, flour and can goods.

**Open Mon, Tues and
Thurs 9:30 a.m. –
11:30pm.**



Prayer Circle

Every Second Tuesday of the Month
9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Kirchner Hall.

Everyone Welcome!

*Don't worry about anything, but pray about everything. With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God.
Philippians 4:6*

Board Happenings - Albert Green, Board Chair -
Friendly Reminder: Executive Board Meeting for the month of March will be Sunday, March 7, 2010, after worship service and **General Board Meeting** will be Sunday, March 14, 2010 After worship service.
Thank you.